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SUBJECT: FINNISH PM SORSA GOES TO STOCKHOLM AND BUDAPEST;

FM KARJALAINEN TO REYKJAVIK, BONN AND NEW YORK

1. PRIME MINISTER SORSA AND FOREIGN MINISTER
KARJALAINEN WILL VISIT AT LEAST FIVE CAPITALS
BEFORE THE END OF SEPTEMBER ACCORDING TO THEIR
OFFICIAL PROGRAM. FINLAND WILL ALSO RECEIVE VISITS
FROM QUEEN JULIANA OF NETHERLANDS, WHO ARRIVES
SEPTEMBER 3 FOR A STATE VISIT; CZECH PARTY LEADER
GUSTAV HUSAK, ARRIVING SEPTEMBER 16; AND TURKISH
PRIME MINISTER BULENT ECEVIT, WHO IS SCHEDULED TO
VISIT FINLAND ABOUT SEPTEMBER 25.

2. PRIME MINISTER SORSA'S LIST OF VISITS BEGINS
WITH HIS OFFICIAL THREE-DAY VISIT TO SWEDEN,
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AUGUST 26-29, AT THE INVITATION OF SWEDISH PRIME

MINISTER OLOF PALME. PALME AND SORSA ARE EXPECTED TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC QUESTIONS OF INTEREST TO BOTH COUNTRIES, THE POSITION OF FINNISH MIGRANTS IN SWEDEN, AND INCREASED INVESTMENT POSSIBILITIES OF SWEDISH INDUSTRY IN FINLAND.

3. PRIME MINISTER AND MRS. SORSA WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF VALMET AND ENSO-GUTZEIT, MINISTER OLAVI J. MATTILA, STATE SECRETARY RICHARD TOTTERMAN, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT LARS LINDEMAN, FOREIGN OFFICE ADVISER ULF-ERIK SLOTT, SECTION SECRETARY ERIK BREHMER ALSO FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, SECRETARY TO THE PRIME MINISTER TOM GRONBERG, AND THE INFORMATION CHIEF OF THE COUNCIL OF STATE ALEC AALTO.

4. SORSA HAS SO FAR MADE THREE OFFICIAL VISITS AS PRIME MINISTER: TO POLAND AND AUSTRIA LAST YEAR, AND TO ROMANIA IN APRIL THIS YEAR.

5. DURING SEPTEMBER 18-23 SORSA WILL VISIT HUNGARY AT THE INVITATION OF PRIME MINISTER JENO FOCK. THE HUNGARIAN PRIME MINISTER VISITED FINLAND FOUR YEARS AGO.

6. FOREIGN MINISTER KARJALAINEN TRAVELS TO REYKJAVIK ON AUGUST 29 FOR THE MEETING OF THE NORDIC FOREIGN MINISTERS, WHICH WILL MAINLY DEAL WITH MATTERS RELATED TO THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY. KARJALAINEN RETURNS TO FINLAND ON SEPTEMBER 1.

7. A COUPLE OF WEEKS LATER, ABOUT SEPTEMBER 18, KARJALAINEN WILL MAKE AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO BONN. HE MADE A CORRESPONDING VISIT TO THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC IN MAY. FROM THERE KARJALAINEN WILL LEAVE FOR NEW YORK AND THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHICH HE IS SCHEDULED TO ADDRESS SEPTEMBER 23. KREHBIEL

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